

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : Tetsuya Shimizu  
Serial No. : 09/836,838  
For : IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS AND IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD  
Filed : April 18, 2001  
Examiner : Jamie J. Vent  
Art Unit : 2621

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**REQUEST FOR TELEPHONE INTERVIEW**

Applicant respectfully requests that applicant's undersigned attorney be permitted to conduct a telephone interview with the Examiner to discuss the Amendment being filed concurrently herewith and the subject application in the event the Examiner is not disposed to allow the application. The Examiner is requested to telephone applicant's undersigned attorney at the number below to arrange for such an interview.

Dated: November 9, 2006

Respectfully submitted,

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